LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m. on **TUESDAY**, **JANUARY 24, 2006**, upon the application of **THE MERIDIAN RESOURCE & EXPLORATION**, **LLC**.

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the **Bigenerina Humblei Zone**, **Reservoirs A and B**, in the Ramos Field, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana.

- 1. To create single drilling and production units for the Bigenerina Humblei Zone, Reservoirs A and B.
- 2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from said units.
- 3. To designate an operator and a unit well for the units created herein.
- 4. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the units so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 5. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Bigenerina Humblei Zone, Reservoir A, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the measured depths of 10,747 feet and 11,110 feet (electrical log measurements) (10,490 feet and 10,850 feet true vertical depth) in The Meridian Resource & Exploration, L.L.C., - AVOCA Inc 6 No. 1 Well, located in Section 5, Township 17 South, Range 13, East, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana.

A plat is available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge** and **Lafayette**, Louisiana.

www.dnr.state.la.us/CONS/CONSEREN/hearings/pubhearings.htm.

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

BY ORDER OF:

JAMES H. WELSH COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

Baton Rouge, La 12/15/05;12/20/05 L dnp

IF ACCOMMODATIONS ARE REQUIRED UNDER AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE OF CONSERVATION-ENGINEERING DIVISION AT P.O. BOX 94275, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-9275 IN WRITING WITHIN TEN (10) WORKING DAYS OF THE HEARING DATE.